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### NEWS WAS PREMATURE.

It is to be regretted that the Galveston News did not hold up that sensational confession about the Brownsville outrage until some steps could be taken to secure the witness by legal process to testify before the Penrose court-martial. The story told by the negro giving his name to the News reporters as D. C. Gray bears the earmarks of truth in many respects. The knowledge of details not only of the outrage but of subsequent events was so familiar as to indicate that the man surely knew what he was talking about, and had the matter been handled more tactfully, this man might have assisted in the capture and conviction of the entire gang implicated in the murderous attack on this town.

LIEUT. BRADY'S conduct in dragging the name of a Brownsville lady into his testimony, in his effort to discredit the people of this city, is of a piece with the ungentlemanly and dishonest course of himself and other officers, in their vicious and unjustifiable attack upon a town which had already borne such outrages from representatives of the army.

ONE of the latest indications of President Roosevelt's apparently boundless versatility is his promise to do what he can to assist pastors of New York churches to remedy the falling off in church attendance of Gothamites.

IF THE construction of the Panama Canal will relieve the congested condition of the freight carriers in this country and expedite the delivery of orders, then it is to be hoped that the work may be pushed to a speedy completion.

### Real Estate Transfers.

The following are the real estate transfers since March 15:

Lon C. Hill to Bert Humphery et al., 829 acres out of San Juan de Carricitas tract, for \$10,368.

Gulf Coast Irrigation Company, to Geo. Bevier, 80 acres at Lyford, for \$2,000.

Kennedy Town and Improvement Company, to J. E. and A. B. Riley, 80 acres at Sarita, for \$1,000.

Gulf Coast Irrigation Company, to Arthur Fretsch et al., 38 acres at Lyford, for \$967.

Gulf Coast Irrigation Company, to Alvin H. Vanderslice, 40 acres at Lyford, for \$1,000.

Gulf Coast Irrigation Company, to Newton W. Vanderslice, 40 acres at Lyford, for \$1,000.

Raymondville Town & Improvement Company, to the Missionary Society of the Oblate Fathers of Texas, north half of lots 27, 28 and 20, in block 66 at Raymondville, consideration \$100.

Raymondville Town and Improvement Company, to Rt. Rev. P. Verdager, south half of lots 27, 28 and 29 in block 66 at Raymondville, consideration \$100.

Adam M. Davidson, to F. J. Kimball, 303 acres at Raymondville, at \$35 per acre.

## AN EYE-WITNESS.

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the third commissary, over in the barracks.

Q. You may go on and state what you saw after that.—A. When the firing came on nearer to us I began to close the window in the boy's room, but I did not have time to close it because they were right at the alley fence already. I saw five first come ahead and I saw ten more come afterwards. I saw them shoot and heard them say, "Come on; come on here."

Q. Could you tell whether or not they had on uniforms?—A. Yes; in khaki uniforms. I did not have time to close the window, and stood there watching, thinking that they maybe were going to help the people at a fire, until they fired into the house; then I started back and was not 3 feet from the bullet that struck the lamp on the dining-room table. I saw the other shot that went through across the room here (indicating), and then I threw myself on the floor and crawled to Mrs. Cowen's room.

Q. How near were the soldiers to you when you saw them in the alley from the window in the boy's room?—A. They were right at the fence, about 10 feet away from me.

Q. What about the light in the alley at that time? How could you see these men? Did the light from the dining room shine on these men over the fence?—A. The kitchen was open and there was a light in it, and you could see well into the alley.

Q. So you had no difficulty in seeing how these men were dressed?—A. No; I saw them very well.

Q. Could you tell what color they were from your observation of them on that evening?—A. They were negroes; I saw them.

Q. About how many shots did you hear fired there in the alley at the side of Mrs. Cowen's house?—A. There were too many to count.

AMADA (her x mark) MARTINEZ.

### NOTHING BUT GRIP AT REYNOSA.

Reported Deaths from Strange Disease Greatly Exaggerated—Only Five Deaths.

Dr. V. P. Armstrong returned last night from Reynosa, Mexico, where he went to investigate the report that there had been a large number of deaths from some unknown disease at that place. A HERALD reporter called on Dr. Armstrong this morning to learn the result of his investigation and learned that the report had been very much exaggerated, there being in fact, nothing more than an epidemic of grip prevailing at at Reynosa, and only five deaths having resulted.

### Discredits Merger Story.

The alleged merger of the Brownsville road with the Ft. Worth & Denver and Trinity & Brazos valley roads is discredited by Vice President and General Manager Jeff N. Miller of the Brownsville road, in an interview with the Galveston News correspondent at Corpus Christi. According to that paper, Mr. Miller said that mergers and consolidations of railroads were usually considered by the owners of the property and the Texas Legislature and were handled on its merits in accordance with the law and action by the Legislature, and not by the Fort Worth news monger, who has sent out sensational news, based on something wholly imaginary. The Gulf Coast Line, according to its charter, is an independent corporation, and has no connection with any other railroad system as concerns ownership, therefore it is reasonable to suppose the syndicate managers (the owners of the property) would not transfer their voice in its affairs to some outsider, not authorized to speak. Mr. Miller when asked regarding the appointment of Mr. Green at the head of the three roads expressed a desire not to discuss idle rumor, and referred your correspondent to the Fort Worth gentleman who has attempted to speak for the three roads interested.

### The Tailor's Crest.

The tailor's sign in a little inland town was an apple, simply an apple. The people were amazed at it. They came in crowds to the tailor, asking him what on earth the meaning of the sign was.

The tailor with a complacent smile replied: "If it hadn't been for an apple where would be the clothing business today?"—Ladies' Home Journal.

### Administrator's Notice.

ESTATE OF MARY J. EGAN, DEC'D. All persons having claims against the estate of Mary J. Egan, late of Cameron County, Texas, deceased, are hereby notified to present the same to me within sixty (60) days, duly sworn to as required by the Probate laws of this State, for adjustment and payment.

J. P. VIVIER.

Temporary Administrator of the Estate of Mary J. Egan, deceased. Brownsville, Texas, February 9, A. D. 1907.

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